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1. Up to June 1947 the Chinese Communist Air Force consisted of the following:

- 39 Bombers
- 12 Fighter planes
- 18 Reconnaissance planes
- 37 Training planes

These planes were given to the Chinese Communists by the Russians out of a total of approximately 500 planes seized from the Japanese in Manchuria.

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25X1 Communists presently have at their disposal more than 300 planes.

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3. The headquarters of the Chinese Communist Air Force are located at Chiamussu, where an air school has also been established [ ] Pilots are trained by Soviet and Japanese instructors. Some Japanese are also serving as pilots.

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4. There is another air base northwest of Harbin. Small airports have also been established in the recently conquered areas of southern Shantung, and in Shensi and Shensi.

5. Up to the present the Chinese Communist Air Force has remained almost inactive, principally because of a shortage of gasoline. [ ] Comment.

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